DOCUMENT RESUME

ED 379 565 CG 026 043

AUTHOR McKee, Patrick W.; And Others
TITLE Suicide and the School: A Practical Guide to Suicide Prevention. Crisis Intervention Series.
REPORT NO ISBN-0-934753-78-4
PUB DATE 93
NOTE 164p.
AVAILABLE FROM LRP Publications, 747 Dresher Road, P.O. Box 980, Horsham PA 19044-0980 ($24.95).
PUB TYPE Books (010) -- Guides - Non-Classroom Use (055)

EDRS PRICE Document Not Available from EDRS.
DESCRIPTORS Adolescents; Children; Elementary Secondary Education; *High Risk Students; *Prevention; Self Destructive Behavior; Self Injurious Behavior; Student Behavior; *Students; *Suicide
IDENTIFIERS *Suicide Prevention; *Suicide Prevention Programs

ABSTRACT

This book was designed to answer the question, "What should schools do to minimize the likelihood of student suicide?" Written by professionals representing the fields of law, psychology, and education, the legal portion of the book addresses the issue of what should be done, the psychological section on what is to be done, and the educational part on how it is all to be accomplished. The book has a three-fold purpose: (1) explain the legal obligations of educators and educational institutions for student suicide; (2) proceed from this foundation to an explanation of how these legal obligations can be discharged in a psychologically sound manner; and (3) explain how educators and educational institutions can implement these legal and psychological principles in the school. Although the topics have a strong theoretical grounding, the material is intended primarily for parents, educators, school psychologists, nurses, counselors, and social workers. It provides specific direction on how to avoid, and, if necessary, how to cope with student suicide. It delineates a catalog of basic elements and assignments for a comprehensive school suicide program, including a detailed protocol for intervention. The recommendations contained in this book stem from years of counseling and advising schools throughout the country on student suicide. (RJM)

****
* Reproductions supplied by EDRS are the best that can be made *
* from the original document. *
****